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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application Appl. No. 10/806,352  
Filed: March 23, 2004; *Confirmation No. 3993*  
For: **Apparatus For Electronic Data Storage**  
Inventors: Thomas M. RENT  
Our Ref: 02708.0033.CNUS01

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (*in duplicate*);
2. Check No. 422254 to cover Extension of Time fee for one (1) month;
3. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
4. Response to Notice to File Missing Parts (*in duplicate*);
5. copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by the inventor;
6. Letter to the Draftsman: Submission Of Formal Drawings;
7. Five (5) Replacement Sheets of Drawings including Figs. 1-11;
8. Information Disclosure Statement (4 pages);
9. PTO/SB/08a (1 page);

10. Our Check No. 420017 for \$986.00 to cover:

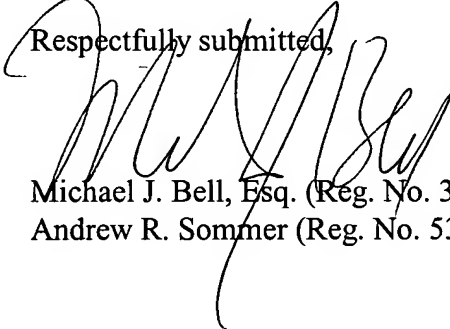
\$ 770.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)  
\$ 86.00 Fee for excess claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)  
\$ 130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);  
and

11. One Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing the above docket number. *A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Enclosures



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Thomas M. RENT

Appl. No. 10/806,352

Filed: March 23, 2004

For: **Apparatus For Electronic  
Data Storage**

Art Unit: 2652

Examiner: To be assigned

Attorney Docket: 02708.0033.CNUS01

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**RESPONSE TO  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

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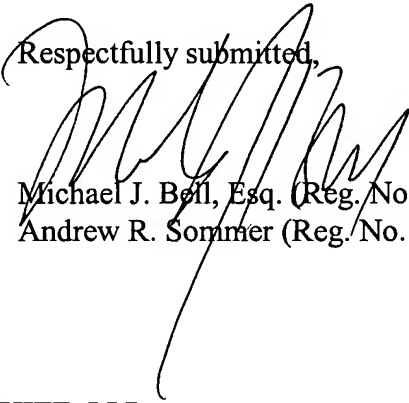
In response to the **Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted** dated June 7, 2004, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- ☒ Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- ☒ copy of previously filed Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by the inventor;
- ☒ Five (5) sheets of Replacement Drawings (Figs. 1-11);
- ☒ Our Check No. 420017 for \$986.00 to cover:
  - \$ 770.00 Filing Fee for Patent Application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
  - \$ 86.00 Fee for excess claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16); and
  - \$ 130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16);
  - and
- ☒ One Return postcard; and

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 02708.0033.CNUS01. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing the above docket number. *A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
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In re application of:

William WITHERSPOON

Appl. No. 29/167,101

Filed: September 10, 2002

For: **Face of Ceiling Tile Arrangement**

Confirmation No.: 6518

Art Unit: 2914

Examiner: Clark, Doris

Atty. Docket: 06395.0002.NPUS00

**LETTER TO DRAFTSMAN: SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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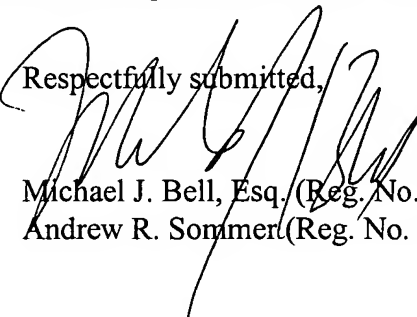
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Sir:

Submitted herewith are five (5) ***replacement*** sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1-11, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is required for filing this paper. However, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number the above docket number.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(l) and (p)(1)); See Figure(s) ALL.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of **\$86** as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

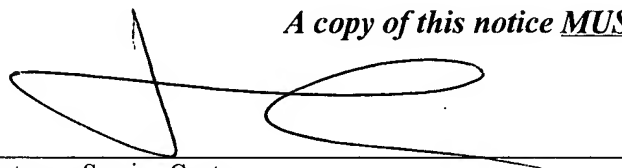
Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$986** for a Large Entity

- **\$770** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$86**
  - **\$86** for 1 independent claims over 3.

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